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1. The Moskovskoe Uchilishche Vsesoyuznogo Radio-Komiteta (Moscow All-Union Radio Committee School) is located at No. 5 Pushkin Square, Moscow). In 1940, the director of the school was a Jew named Antonov. The director of studies was one Sitchev, and there were four or five other teachers.

2. There were 40 to 45 students each year, one from each of the Soviet republics and two or three from the large cities which were not capitals of republics (e.g., Moscow, Leningrad, Rostov, Odessa). The director of the radio station of each republic or large city sent a suitable person to the school in Moscow to be trained and to return to his radio station as a radio newscaster.

3. The following credentials were required for matriculation in the Radio School:

- A certificate from at least the "semi-gymnasium".
- Certificate from the court stating that the holder had not been found guilty of any crime.
- Certificate of date and place of birth.
- Certificate from the city stating that the holder was a citizen in good standing.
- Certificate from his supervisor regarding the holder's work.

Applicants for admission to the school had to be between 18 and 35 years of age; younger men were preferred. In addition, a candidate had to have been previously appointed or recommended by the director of the radio station of his republic.

4. Classes began in September and ended in May.
The following subjects were taught in the school:

- Method of gathering the news of the day by telephone from local agents or representatives and method of classifying such news.
- Physics (electricity, radio, telephone).

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c. Mathematics (geometry, algebra).

d. Political studies (history of the Communist Party of Russia, which was taught by an old Russian Party member named Pavlov).

5. In June of each year, there were oral examinations of the students before an examining board consisting of five to eight persons. A student rejected by the examining board was called for examination in the following year but without further study in the school; he spent the intervening year in his place of origin. In 1940, four of the 40 students of the school failed and were compelled to return to their homes and to come back for re-examination the following year. The students who passed their examinations were sent by the school administration to republics as radio newscasters at city radio stations. 25X1X

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nation collected from the factories of each city. It generally referred to the activity of the workers and was always of Communist and propagandist content. 25X1X
local representatives were paid 200 rubles each by the [REDACTED] radio station. 25X1X

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a Kurd(Moslem) who translated the checked and approved news bulletin and then gave it to the radio station for broadcasting in Armenian and Kurdish. These translators were appointed by the director of the radio station. They had not had any training in any school but they were selected from among the educated and trustworthy persons in the city.

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